



# National Weather Service

## Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



April 2001

Location	Date	Time Local/ Standard	Path Length (Miles)	Path Width (Yards)	Number of Persons		Estimated Damage	Property		Character of Storm
					Killed	Injured	Crops			

### CONNECTICUT, Northeast

CTZ002

**Hartford**

**13 0311EST**  
**20 2055EST**

**0**

**0**

**Flood**

Connecticut River

Minor to moderate flooding occurred along the Connecticut River from Thompsonville, downstream through Hartford to Middletown. Above normal temperatures produced rapid snow melt, and combined with heavy rainfall in the headwaters to bring the Connecticut into flood. At Thompsonville, the river crested at 5.6 feet at 11 am on April 15th (flood stage is 5 feet); at Hartford, a crest of 19.2 feet occurred at 1115 am on April 16th (flood stage is 16 feet); at Middletown, a crest of 10.94 feet occurred at 8 pm on April 16th (flood stage is 5 feet). Flooding was limited to many riverside roadways and farmland, and no significant flood damage was reported.

CTZ002

**Hartford**

**23 1015EST**  
**30 2359EST**

**0**

**0**

**Flood**

Connecticut River

Additional rainfall and snow melt brought the Connecticut River back into a minor to moderate flood. At Thompsonville, the river crested at 6.1 feet at 11 am on April 24th (flood stage is 5 feet); at Hartford, a crest of 20.3 feet occurred at 1030 am on April 26th (flood stage is 16 feet); at Middletown, the river crested at 11.9 feet at 3 pm on April 26th (flood stage is 5 feet). Once again, flooding was confined to riverside roads and farmland, and no significant flood damage was reported. The Connecticut River remained in flood through the end of the month.

### MASSACHUSETTS, Central and East

**Bristol County**

**South Dartmouth**

**01 0000EST**  
**0930EST**

**0**

**0**

**Flood**

Paskamanset River

MAZ005-013

**Western Middlesex - Western Norfolk**

**01 0000EST**  
**09 1300EST**

**0**

**0**

**Flood**

Concord, Assabet, and Sudbury Rivers

Flooding from the end of March continued on several slower-responding rivers into early April. While minor lowland flooding occurred on the mainstem Charles, Concord, Assabet, and Sudbury Rivers, more serious flooding affected the Paskamanset River in southern Bristol County. Several roads were flooded near South Dartmouth and New Bedford. An estimate of flood damage was not available.

**Hampshire County**

**Chesterfield**

**08 0530EST**

**0**

**0**

**125K**

**Lightning**

A house was struck by lightning during an early morning thunderstorm, and burned to the ground. Nothing was salvaged from the house, but a deep snow pack around the remote home helped to contain the fire to the house, according to local fire officials

MAZ010

**Eastern Hampshire**

**14 2020EST**  
**16 1931EST**

**0**

**0**

**Flood**

Connecticut River

Minor flooding occurred along the Connecticut River near Northampton. Above normal temperatures produced rapid snow melt, and combined with heavy rainfall in the headwaters to bring the Connecticut into flood. At Northampton, the river crested at 112.4 feet at 1045 am on April 15th (flood stage is 112 feet). Flooding was limited to many riverside roadways and farmland, and no significant flood damage was reported.



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### MASSACHUSETTS, Central and East

MAZ003-010>011

Eastern Franklin - Eastern Hampshire - Eastern Hampden

22 2109EST  
29 0700EST

0 0

Flood

Connecticut River

Additional rainfall and snow melt brought the Connecticut River back into a minor flood. At Montague, the river crested at 30.6 feet at 2 am on April 24th (flood stage is 28 feet); at Northampton, a crest of 114.3 feet occurred at 8 am on April 24th (flood stage is 112 feet). Flooding was confined to riverside roads and farmland, and no significant flood damage was reported.

MAZ012

Southern Worcester

24 0000EST  
2359EST

0 0

Record Heat

Worcester Regional Airport

The high temperature of 80 degrees at Worcester Regional Airport (which occurred around 1 pm) broke the previous record high for the date, which was 79 degrees set in 1942.

### NEW HAMPSHIRE, Southern

NONE REPORTED.

### RHODE ISLAND

Providence County

Cranston

01 0000EST  
02 1437EST

0 0

Flood

Pawtuxet River

Flooding which began in late March persisted along the Pawtuxet River near Cranston into the first two days of April. Flooding was not as severe as what had occurred in the previous month, and was limited to several roads in low lying areas near the river.